

ALACHUA COUNTY

2002 Census of Agriculture

"Agriculture Counts"

Farms and Land in Farms	Farms	Acres	Rank
Land in farms	1,493	222,728	14
Average farm size	1,493	149.0	40
Median farm size	1,493	37.0	38
Total cropland	908	80,269	16
Harvested cropland	639	39,281	
Irrigated land	318	13,488	
Pastureland	1,130	145,229	12
Farms by Size of Farm	Farms	Acres	Rank
Less than 10 acres *	165	809	51
10-49 acres	803	18,292	
50-99 acres	178	12,071	
100-499 acres	274	55,343	
500-999 acres	29	19,996	
1,000 acres or more **	44	116,217	33
Farms by Value of Sales	Farms	Sales	Rank
Less than \$2,500	724	\$473,000	
\$2,500-\$9,999	362	\$1,893,000	
\$10,000-\$99,999	318	\$10,156,000	
\$100,000-\$499,000	67	\$14,205,000	
\$500,000 or more	22	\$31,938,000	

Hired Labor	Farms	Number	Rank
Workers hired	468	1,932	
Working 150 days or more	232	649	
Working less than 150 days	322	1,283	

Livestock and Poultry	Farms	Number	Rank
All cattle and calves	765	48,998	11
Beef cows	610	24,090	
Milk cows	42	2,495	
Hogs and pigs	71	1,439	
Sheep and lambs	34	756	
Poultry			
Layers, 20 weeks & older	69	1,320	
Pullets	12	88	
Broilers	10	(D)	17
Turkeys	6	18	
Horses & ponies	484	3,355	5
Goats, milk	15	(D)	
Goats, meat & other	99	2,064	
Rabbits & pelts			
Colonies of bees	29	3,292	16

Fruits, Nuts, and Berries	Farms	Acres	Rank
Non-citrus fruits			
Grapes	21	31	
Nectarines	3	5	
Peaches	11	36	
Pears	13	17	
Persimmons	21	39	
Plums & prunes	9	17	
Other non-citrus	7	16	
Citrus fruits	21	54	
Grapefruit	12	3	
Limes			
Oranges	18	47	
Tangelos			
Tangerines	3	(D)	
Other citrus	4	(D)	
Nuts and berries			
Pecans	93	1,854	1
Blueberries, tame	38	712	
Strawberries	15	22	

Value of Sales	Farms	Dollars	Rank
Market value of products sold	1,493	\$58,665,000	27
Value of products sold - per farm	1,493	\$39,293	
All Crops	452	\$37,620,000	25
Grains, oilseeds, dry peas	31	(D)	
Vegetables, melons, potatoes	111	\$12,859,000	13
Fruits, nuts, berries	141	\$8,113,000	23
Nursery & greenhouse	128	\$11,122,000	21
All Livestock and Poultry	808	\$21,044,000	19
Poultry & eggs	41	(D)	
Cattle & calves	581	\$9,402,000	10
Milk, other dairy products	24	\$5,579,000	18
Hogs & pigs	53	\$78,000	11
Sheep, goats & products	76	\$76,000	2
Horses & ponies	149	\$878,000	7
Direct sales - human consumption	123	\$679,000	
Organically produced commodities	15	\$198,000	

Vegetables and Melons	Farms	Acres	Rank
All vegetables harvested	113	5,887	8
Beans, snap	47	2,637	4
Broccoli	4	2	
Cabbage, Chinese	1	(D)	
Cabbage, Head	17	49	
Cantaloups	14	143	
Collards	15	44	
Cucumbers & pickles	37	485	
Eggplant	13	18	
Herbs	4	2	
Lettuce, all	4	(D)	
Mustard greens	14	14	
Okra	25	22	
Peas, green	9	23	
Peas, southern (cowpeas)	25	144	
Peppers, bell	13	61	
Radishes	2	(D)	
Squash	52	347	
Sweet corn	38	169	
Tomatoes	23	29	
Watermelons	55	1,636	

Field Crops	Farms	Acres	Rank
Grains & grain silage			
Corn for grain	22	777	
Corn for silage	25	4,677	2
Oats for grain			
Rye for grain			
Sorghum for grain			
Sorghum for silage	5	625	
Wheat for grain			
Other field crops			
Dry southern peas (cowpeas)	5	31	
Peanuts for nuts	30	1,782	
Potatoes	3	(Z)	
Soybeans for beans			
Sugarcane for sugar			
Tobacco	20	637	
Hay, forage & field & grass seeds			
Field & grass seeds	13	1,182	
Alfalfa hay	10	111	
Small grain hay	9	810	
Other tame hay	228	18,548	
Wild hay	33	2,402	
Haylage, all	6	843	

Nursery and Greenhouse Crops					
Indoor (under glass)	Farms (1)	Square feet	Rank	Outdoor (in the open)	Acres Rank
All nursery, greenhouse crops	128	511,580		All nursery, greenhouse crops	1,001
Bedding/Garden plants	26	375,182		Bedding/Garden plants	16
Cut flowers & florist greens	9	3,000		Cut flowers & florist greens	9
Foliage plants	8	1,050		Foliage plants	10
Potted flowering plants	10	10,800		Potted flowering plants	14
Aquatic plants	2	(D)		Aquatic plants	(D)
Greenhouse vegetables	7	3,052		Greenhouse vegetables	(X)
Sod	10	(X)		Sod	499
Nursery stock	84	(D)		Nursery stock	421

* rank is percentage of farms in county less than 10 acres
** rank is percentage of farms in county greater than 1000 acres
(D) = withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.
(X) = not applicable for this item
(Z) = less than 1/2 acre
(1) "Farms" represent those having either indoor or outdoor crops

Other Highlights:	Farms	Value	Rank
All Hay acres	276	21,871	1
Quail	6	(D)	3
Sales of Tobacco	20	\$1,861,000	5

